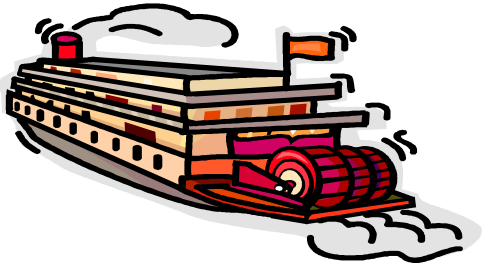

**South Punyelroo Progress Association
Easter 2010 Newsletter**



**SOUTH PUNYELROO PROGRESS
ASSOCIATION INC.
EASTER 2010 NEWSLETTER**

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Mike Tully - President's Piece

The committee would like to invite all members to the annual Easter get together on Sunday April 4th from 10am at the association shed opposite the bins. So don't bother about cooking breakfast that morning and come on down for bacon and eggs, sausage sandwiches, raffles, soft drinks, fruit juices, or even a couple of beers or chardonnay's for all you hard core types. I would also like to thank David Reeve (Secretary), Rosie Budenberg (Treasurer), Andrew Knight, Jan Adams and our two new committee members Ross Musolino and Jock McDougall for their combined efforts without which our association would not exist.

P.S. All children must keep an eye out for the Easter Bunny who will be out in his ski boat going past the shacks from around 9am and then possibly attending the BBQ at 10 am.

Common Land

The road has now been completed, a process which has taken about 2 years for the committee to negotiate with the council. The dust and noise reduction has been a huge improvement and it is a much better surface to walk on. Over the next few months the committee will be installing 4 sets of speed humps 900mm wide 50mm high with appropriate signage. There will be no street lights. Road surface maintenance will be

provided by the council, so we are getting extra services for our rates. The common land has been slashed but all site holders are encouraged to do some mowing around trickier areas with more trees, and poison any prickly pears that appear.

The Swan Reach dump (transfer station) is open on:

- **Tuesdays (08:00 – 09.30);** and
- **Saturdays (14:00 – 15:30).**

More information on waste management within the Mid Murray Council area can be found under "Council Services" on the MMC website at:

<http://www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au/>

Road Rules

All members are reminded that normal road rules apply, i.e. you can and will get pinched for unregistered vehicles, exceeding the 25kph



speed limit, drink driving and for having passengers in the boat on the way to the ramp, this applies to all - especially to visitors to our 100 acres. After all who wants

their child or pet run down by some irresponsible hoon who thinks only of himself?

Rules and Regulations

Due to a certain member testing the lease as to whether casual holiday home or site rental is allowable, the committee completed a survey of members which resulted in an overwhelming majority being in favor of a tightening the rules and regulations regarding this behavior. It is within the powers of the committee to change the rules and regulations by which we must abide by under the terms of lease. Therefore at a recent SPPA meeting a motion was moved to insert a clause which strictly prohibits the casual or commercial renting of holiday homes or sites. The updated rules are available on the website and it is recommended that all sites holders download a copy.

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The reason for this action is to preserve the integrity and security that we have enjoyed for many years in the past and probably value even more in this day and age of so much unrest in the world.

Punyelroo Paraphernalia

The recycle cage is certainly a success, it appears that during the course of a year it will return approximately \$1,500, thanks again to those on the committee and Jeff Offler who have been taking it into Swan Reach. (It makes the Easter function possible).

The boat ramp is still in quite good working order and we will be approaching the council about doing the final tidy up of its surrounds which was unable to be completed when the ramp was reworked.

Can everyone keep an eye out for any dubious people driving through our area at odd times, we haven't had any confirmed incidents, but questioning or taking a rego number and time and date can help maintain some sort of neighborhood watch.

There are a number of shacks which do not have their site numbers marked clearly on their back gates, in an emergency this could be a problem, so have a look and update them if necessary.

It would appear with the revision of the land tax base we may not have to pay land tax on the common land and site 81, finally a win for us.

Safety Issues

Everyone should keep an eye on all trees as a lot of big branches have been coming down as a result of the drought. In particular anyone putting a tent under a tree – take a minute to survey the branches above.

Due to low river levels, unseen sandbars present a severe danger to people on the water. Buoys have been placed opposite the Punyelroo Caravan Park and at Big Bend which marks the channel. In particular there is a danger spot out the front of site 83 where the river is barely waist

deep almost to the centre of the river. When in doubt stay well away from the river bank, as the consequences of a boat going from 50kph to zero in 10 feet would be disastrous!

Committee News

Please check the notice board from time to time as the committee will be posting all relevant information on it, and members are free to put ads or info on as well, just be careful with the doors and make sure they are properly latched.

The *voluntary* committee for '09-'10 consists of:

President:	Mike Tully	[Site 83]
Secretary:	David Reeve	[Site 98]
Treasurer:	Rosie Budenberg	[Site 89]
Committee:	Andrew Knight	[Site 74]
	Jan Adams	[Site 30]
	Ross Musolino	[Site 29]
	Jock McDougall	[Site 27]

Anything Else

The committee has South Punyelroo T/shirts available for order; they come in ladies and men's sizes and are available in Navy and White or Red and White.

There are 4 different logos:

- Pelican;
- Wake boarder;
- Slalom Skier;
- Wakeboard boat.

There will be examples of each at the Easter function and photos posted on the SPPA website. They are a very good quality light material and are all priced at \$30.00 each.

If you are reading this news letter on the notice board and did not receive it in the mail or via email please contact the association to make sure that we have your correct mailing address, we would also appreciate if everyone could supply their e-mail address for time and cost saving of postage.

Don't forget the South Punyelroo Web Site at: www.sppai.org.au